HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING DECEMBER 24, 2007

The Hall County Board of Supervisors met December 24, 2007, by published call in the County Board meeting room, 121 South Pine, Grand Island.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Scott Arnold.

INVOCATION - Invocation was given by Scott Arnold.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

ROLL CALL - Present on roll call were, Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Robert Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster, and Daniel Wagoner. Robert Rye was absent. Also present was County Attorney Mark Young.

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING LAW - Chairman Arnold read the notice of the open meting law.

CONSENT AGENDA – Lancaster made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the following by consent agenda:

- 1. Placed on file the corrected minutes of the October 30, 2007 meeting
- 2. Placed on file the minutes of the December 11, 2007 meeting
- 3. 5a Authorized the Public Works Department to purchase a new 2007 motor grader from the bid awarded on February 20, 2007 to Nebraska Machinery
- 4. 5b Authorized the Chair to sign the skid steer lease agreement with Nebraska Machinery
- 5. 5e Authorized the chair to sign the snow removal agreements with Amick Acres East Home Owners Association, Amick Acres West Home Owners Association and Kuesters Lake
- 6. 7 Placed on file the tort claim of Laura Nelson
- 7. 8 Approved the Chair to sign the letter of recommendation for Central Nebraska Regional airport to be named Airport of the Year
- 8. 21 Placed on file the office report of the County Clerk and Register of Deeds
- 9. 23 Placed on file the Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous receipts
- 10. 24 Placed on file communications as received

Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries. Lancaster and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no with Rye absent. Motion carried.

HALL COUNTY CLERK NOVEMBER 2007

TITLE FEES STATE	\$ 14,299.75
TITLE FEES COUNTY	\$ 7,539.25
MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$ 225.00
RECORDING FEES	\$ 10.00
PHOTO FEES/FAX FEES & MISC.	\$ 15.00
PLAT BOOKS/OTHER	\$ 109.25
CERTIFIED COPIES MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$ 170.00
TIME CARD FEES	.00
RETURNED CHECKS	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 22,368.25

OFFICE REPORT REGISTER OF DEEDS NOVEMBER 2007

DOCUMENTARY STAMP FEES RECORDING FEES PHOTO FEES \$ 5,696.43 12,749.00 453.00

8 LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR CENTRAL NEBRASKA REGIONAL AIRPORT – Annette Schimmer was present. The County board approved sending the letter that is to be sent to the Nebraska Department of Aeronautics. Ms. Schimmer reviewed the actives that have taken place at the airport and the various awards that they have received. They received the award in 2007 and decided to apply again this year.

COUNTY ATTORNEY – APPROVE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND SET BID OPENING FOR FURNITURE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UNDER HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT – The funding for this equipment will be paid by a Homeland Security grant and these dollars are paid to the County so that is why it has to be a county bid opening.

Lancaster made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the bid specifications and set the bid opening for January 8, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. Emergency Management Director Jon Rosenlund was present. The county will advertise the bid opening.

Held a Board of Equalization meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Returned to regular session at 9:25 a.m.

PUBLIC WORKS – 5c DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING WAIVER OF BIDDING REQUIREMENT SO THE COUNTY CAN SAVE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY BY ENTERING INTO A SPECIAL PURCHASE AGREEMENT – County Surveyor Casey Sherlock was present and stated that the committee has met several times to discuss the purchase of a new gradeall. They looked at the option of purchasing used equipment that has come off of a lease agreement and has a minimum number of hours on it. The committee felt that this is a way to purchase more equipment and save money.

Jeffries stated that they are looking at a Caterpillar loader and an excavator. The company gave them a lump sum price for both of the pieces of equipment.

Wagoner stated that the purchase of both of the units is cheaper than the individual purchase of the gradeall alone. Lancaster thanked the committee for their work on this issue. It was questioned if the department has a trailer to transport the equipment and Mr. Sherlock stated that they had a trailer to haul it.

Eriksen stated that they are not requesting formal bids just quotes for the purchase of this equipment and they only received one quote.

The facilities committee also discussed using this process to consider the replacement of their 1965 font loader. Facilities Director Howard Hasset was present and he proposed that the county also look at obtaining a new skid steer loader and use the same process. He stated that they did \$1,500.00 worth of repairs on the old unit last year. Discussion was held and the county cannot enter into an installment sale contract so this would be a lease agreement that has an up front balloon payment and the county could purchase the equipment at the end of the year lease. There is a limit of 250 hours and if it is used more hours it would be \$15.00 an hour.

Arnold stated that it is difficult to get the snow removal done because there is a short period of time when the lots are empty so they need equipment that will enable them to do the job quickly.

Larry Schmidt from Nebraska Machinery stated that this is rental fleet equipment that has a low number of hours and the equipment has an extended warranty. Discussion was held to trade in the current piece of equipment but Mr. Schmidt stated that it would be better to sell it out right.

Eriksen stated that he would like to refer this to the facilities committee and they can come back with a recommendation on the leasing the equipment.

Jeffries made a motion and Wagoner seconded to waive the bidding requirements for this special purchase. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries. Lancaster and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no with Rye absent. Motion carried.

The following proposal for the special purchase for a 2006 Caterpillar Loader and a 2006 Caterpillar Excavator was received:

Nebraska Machinery Company
Delivery date 60 days

Total Bid Price \$234,109.00

Chairman Arnold called for a break for the committee to review the bid and come back with a recommendation.

Returned to session.

The committee reviewed the bid and Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to accept the bid for the loader and the excavator in the amount of \$234,109.00 and authorize the chair to sign the contract. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries. Lancaster and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no with Rye absent. Motion carried.

6. CORRECTIONS STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION APPROVE BID FOR DETENTION FURNITURE AND SHELVING FOR CORRECTION FACILITY – The committee reviewed the bids and one bid was received for the detention furniture from Norix in the amount of \$30,558.50 and the low bid on the shelving was received from Midwest Storage in the amount of \$20,686.31.

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to award the bid for the detention furniture to Norix in the amount of \$30,558.50 and to Midwest Storage for the shelving in the amount of \$20,686.31. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries. Lancaster and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no with Rye absent. Motion carried.

Discussion was held if this was part of the bond money and it was clarified that this is for the furniture, fixtures and equipment so it is part of the bond.

20. BIWEEKLY PAY CLAIMS AND REGULAR CLAIMS – Lancaster made a motion and Wagoner seconded to approve the biweekly pay claims and regular claims. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries. Lancaster and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no with Rye absent. Motion carried.

Lancaster stated that the claim that was held for clarification was approved and paid because the invoice was attached. She also stated that the audit committee approved a vehicle check out sheet that has been sent to al departments. When a county vehicle is used it is to be completed and turned into the county board. She also stated that NIRMA now has an insurance policy that allows historical buildings owned by the counties to be restored to original condition. There is an increase in the cost of the policy but it is the intention of the County to keep the Courthouse as a working Courthouse sot it would be wise to consider this.

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS – Chairman Arnold called for board member's reports.

Daniel Waggoner stated that he attended the NACO Conference.

Arnold noted that Pam Lancaster was elected to the NACO Board, at the state convention.

Lancaster stated that the correction department has been holding tours of the new corrections facility for county employees.

Wagoner mentioned that the employee recognition dinner was held Monday night at the Afternoon Restaurant at the Airport.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m. the next meeting will be January 8, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

Marla J.	Conley Hall County Clerk	